

(Chapter III.—Of Village-forests.—Section 27.
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which have been extinguished therein shall not revive in consequence of such cessation.

CHAPTER III.

OF VILLAGE-FORESTS.

27. The Local Government may from time to time assign to any village-community the rights of Government to or over any land which has been constituted a reserved forest, and may cancel such assignment. All forests so assigned shall be called village-forests.

Formation
of village-
forests.

The Local Government may from time to time make rules for regulating the management of village-forests, prescribing the conditions under which the community to which any such assignment is made may be provided with timber or other forest-produce or pasture, and their duties for the protection and improvement of such forest.

All provisions of this Act relating to reserved forests shall (so far as they are consistent with the rules so made) apply to village-forests.

CHAPTER IV.

OF PROTECTED FORESTS.¹

28. The Local Government may from time to time, by notification in the local official Gazette, declare the provisions of this Chapter applicable to any forest-land or waste-land which is not included in a reserved forest, but which is the property of Government, or over which the Government has proprietary rights, or to the whole or any part of the forest-produce of which the Government is entitled.

"Protected
forests."

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¹ As to the application of provisions relating to protected forests (1) to land not the property of the Government, see s. 38; (2) to forests, waste-land or produce the joint property of the Government and other persons, see s. 79, *infra*.